

## Salt for Branch of Promise of Mary

**Suit for Breach of Promise of Marriage.**  
**SUPREME COURT.**  
Before Hon. Judge Roosevelt.

**MARCH 19.**—*Rachel Wills, by her Guardian, Joseph B. Wills, vs. Eleanor Crabtree.*—The plaintiff in the case, who was in court, is rather a good looking young girl, about twenty-one years of age, and the suit is brought against the defendant, who is a sea captain and part owner of a vessel. Mr. Isaac Van Winkle stated the case for the plaintiff, by which it appears that in March, 1893, the defendant, who had been a frequent visitor at her parents' home, had asked her in marriage, and had been accepted by her father and mother. The young lady was then only sixteen years of age, and it was agreed, at the request of the defendant, that her education should be

ailed, and that on his return from a voyage he would fulfill his promise to marry her. He invited her on board his vessel, and there presented her with his miniature, and during his absence he used to write to her, still continuing his promise; but immediately after the receipt of one of those letters she received another to say that his affections had changed but giving no reason for the change. From that time to the present he has failed to fulfill his promise, and she has not seen him since. Damages are fixed at \$4,000. The defendant is twenty-two years of age.

Mr. Lephors declined to go to trial in the absence of a client, the defendant, has the plaintiff's counsel informed on going on with the case.

Miss King, next the plaintiff, deposed to the devoted attentions paid by Capt. Crabree to Miss Williams, and produced a letter from him in his handwriting, of which the following are extracts:

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Miss King further testified that preparations were made for the marriage, and the wardrobe was provided for Miss King.

Mr. Brug testified that he is married to the eldest daughter of the plaintiff, and that he had often heard Captain Chabree express himself in terms of affection for Miss King.

He testified that he had seen Miss King and that he asked the plaintiff's mother for liberty to marry her; witness was at that time engaged to the eldest daughter of Miss Will, and he agreed with defendant to bring Miss King to the plaintiff's residence in the spring when the marriage was arranged between them; that he and Miss King should be celebrated together; Captain Chabree's circumstances were very good; he had an interest in the

Health was much impaired since the marriage was broken off, and a physician attended on her. Miss Williams' father, who was a physician, was so sure that the plaintiff was troubled with a bronchial affection, and when he received the letters from Captain Crabtree he saw that she was very much depressed and the disease was aggravated.

Mr. Dewester summed up for plaintiff, and the Judge having charged the jury they brought in a verdict for plaintiff of \$2,000, to which the Court added an additional allowance of \$50 to counsel.

**HEARON OF AN INQUEST.**

ELEVEN P. M. - *W. H. Hearon, Esq., Judge and Clerk.* - The defendants to be fined \$30 for breach of injunction. The use of the words Christy's Ministers in very large letters and the qualifying words in very small letters is an evasion of the injunction.

**STAY AGAINST A COMMON CARRIER.**

MARCH 14. - *Frederick B. Bates, Esq., Judge.* - The de-

and owned the steamboat Hendrick Hansen, in which he carries passengers and their usual baggage for hire. The passenger, the goods and merchandise for hire of Mr. St. John, were carried on the steamboat, and the plaintiff in this case, who prosecutes the defendant as a common carrier, and alleges that he (plaintiff) was to be delivered to the defendant on board his steamboat two trunks containing merchandise of the value of \$2,000, to be safely and securely carried to the city of New York; that the defendant received the trunks and their contents, and that he was to deliver them to the plaintiff on a certain reasonable charge, and that the goods were not delivered in good order, but were damaged. The defendant, in his answer, denies that the trunks were either received by him or delivered to him, and that he never received freight for them, but alleges that they were delivered to and were received by him as baggage for which he received no compensation. The case was argued by Mr. St. John, and by Mr. Hendrick Hansen, for \$1,000, and it came on for a second trial after the

opinion of the General Term.

It is worthy of remark that since this case was tried last June, 1892, two of the counsel, N. E. Hunt and H. S. Dodge, the Judge (Edwards) before whom it was tried, and the Judge (Morris) who delivered the opinion granting the new trial, have all died.

In the present case the jury rendered a verdict for the defendant.

**Obituary.**

The Louisville, (Ky.) papers of the 10th, notice the death of "old **MAN DUNE**," at the age of 110 years. He resided in the city of Louisville, and served under General Washington in the revolution. Of late years he had driven a wood wagon in Louisville for a livelihood.

Mrs. **ELIZABETH DENTENBERGER**, of Davidson Co., Tenn., died on the 6th instant, aged 116 years and one month. Twenty years before she was married to a German settler in Davidson county, and was probably the oldest person in the State.